





EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 1638

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<u>PATENT</u>

Attorney Docket No.: 012176-006210US

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

BURGESS et al.

Application No.: 09/186,775

Filed: November 6, 1998

For: MATERIALS AND METHODS FOR

HYBRID SEED PRODUCTION

Examiner: O. Zaghmout

Art Unit: 1638

NOTICE OF APPEAL

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Box AF, Art Unit 1638 Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals and Interferences from the Examiner's decision dated May 18, 2000 rejecting claims 1-4, 6, 7, 11-18, 20, 21, and 25-37.

A Petition to Extend Time to respond for three (3) months is enclosed. Please charge the filing fee of \$310.00 for this Appeal to Deposit Account No. 20-1430 of the Undersigned. Please charge any additional fees due in connection with this paper, or credit any overpayment, to this Deposit Account. This Notice is submitted in triplicate.

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